

REMARKS

Claim 1 remains in this application. Claims 2 - 5 are withdrawn as being drawn to non-elected species. Applicants reserve the right to reinstate any of claims 2 - 5 for examination upon a finding of allowability of claim 1.

Applicant elects Species I.

Claim 1 is readable on the elected Species I.

Presently, the claims are viewed as readable upon the recited groups as presented in the table below:

SPECIES	CLAIMS READABLE ON SPECIES
I	1
II	2
III	3
IV	4
V	5

Presently, no claim is deemed generic.

Applicant traverses the restriction requirement as applied to Species I - V on the grounds that the species are so closely related that a search in either group would essentially be identical. Such a search, being substantially identical, dictates that prosecution of a divisional application resulting from the restriction would result in a duplication of effort by personnel of the Patent Office.

Similarly, it is submitted that the remaining Species II - V are so closely related to each other and Species I that efficiency of prosecution would necessarily be served by removal of the restriction requirement.

In view of the fact that the claims in question here have related subject matter and in view of the policy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding efficiency of prosecution relating to restriction practice, reconsideration of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested and withdrawal of this restriction is respectfully requested.

Should the restriction requirement not be withdrawn, or the elected species of claim 1 not be found allowable, Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional applications at a later date on the non-elected claims. Accordingly, reconsideration of the restriction requirement and favorable action on the merits of this application are respectfully requested.

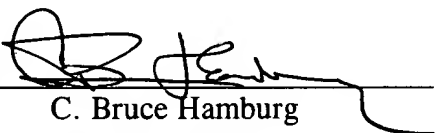
In view of the above, reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are respectfully requested.

This response is being filed within the original one month shortened period for response, therefore, a request for an extension of the time to respond is not required and no fee therefor is due.

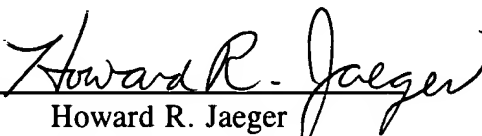
In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If any fees are presently due with the filing of this response, or if any overpayments have been made, they should be respectively charged and credited to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

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